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SUBJECT: RUMOR NAMED PREMIER- DESIGNATE

1. PRESIDENT LEONE CONCLUDED ROUND OF CONSULTATIONS JUNE 20 AND GAVE MARIANO RUMOR BROAD MANDATE TO ATTEMPT TO FORM NEW GOVERNMENT. IN PARTY MEETINGS THIS WEEK, CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS RECONFIRMED SUPPORT FOR FULL, FOUR- PARTY CENTER-LEFT GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING SOCIALISTS, AS OUTCOME OF CURRENT CRISIS. IN LENGTHY STATEMENT JUNE 19, SOCIAL DEMOCRAT DIRECTORATE ALSO WELCOMED PROSPECT OF FOUR- PARTY CENTER- LEFT, BUT SPELLED OUT IN FIRM DETAIL NEED FOR ABSOLUTE AUTONOMY OF GOVERNMENT VIS- A- VIS COMMUNISTS. DC DIRECTORATE MEETING IS RUMORED FOR JUNE 22 TO NAIL DOWN CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT PRE- CONDITIONS FOR NEW CENTER- LEFT. THERE HAS BEEN NO FAVORABLE RESPONSE TO REPUBLICAN SUGGESTION THAT GOVERNMENT INCLUDE SECRETARIES OF ALL PARTICIPATING PARTIES, AND PRI LEADER LA MALFA HAS NOW SAID THIS PROPOSAL IS NOT A SINE QUA NON FOR REPUBLICAN PARTICIPATION IF OTHER GURANTEES OF FULL LOYALTY OF ALL PARTIES ARE FORTHCOMING.

2. IN PUBLIC STATEMENT FOLLOWING CONSULTATION WITH LEONE JUNE 19, PSI SECRETARY DE MARTINO REITERATED LINE ADOPTED BY PARTY DIRECTORATE JUNE 18 THAT UPCOMING NEGOTIATIONS WILL REVEAL WHETHER DIRECT PSI PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT IS PREFERABLE

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TO LENDING OUTSIDE SUPPORT TO DC- PSDI- PRI COALITION. HOWEVER,
SOURCE VERY CLOSE TO DE MARTINO TELLS US THAT IN FACT DE MARTINO
AND BULK OF PARTY NOW STRONGLY FAVOR IMMEDIATE PSI ENTRY, AND
WOULD FALL BACK TO OUTSIDE SUPPORT OF " TRANSITIONAL" THREE-
APRTY GOVERNMENT ONLY IF UNEXPECTED DIFFICULTIES IN NEGOTIATIONS
LEAVE NO CHOICE.

3. CURRENT PROGNOSIS IS THAT, AFTER JUNE 21 RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY,
RUMOR WILL SPEND JUNE 22 AND 23 CONSULTING WITH DC DIRECTORATE
AND PARLIAMENTARY GROUP LEADERSHIP. HE WILL THEN REPORTEDLY
DEVOTE JUNE 24 TO REFINING PROSPECTIVE PROGRAM BEFORE BEGINNING
NEGOTIATIONS WITH OTHER PARTIES JUNE 25. VOLPE

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